

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** pharmacists across our state and nation are important members of the health care team, working to ensure the sensible and safe use of all medications; and

**WHEREAS,** as a cost-effective alternative to more expensive procedures, the use of medication can be a major force in managing overall health care expenses; and

**WHEREAS,** pharmacists provide essential knowledge to consumers of today's complex prescription and over-the-counter medications, and their caregivers, enabling them to be informed about and share responsibility for their own drug therapy; and

**WHEREAS,** with the theme, "Improving Patients Health," this year's observance of Hospital and Health-System Pharmacy Week recognizes our pharmacists for their efforts to ensure the health and well-being of all people.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim October 23 – 29, 2005, as

### HOSPITAL AND HEALTH-SYSTEM PHARMACY WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize our pharmacists for their valuable contributions to an improved quality of life for the residents of the Palmetto State.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Sanford".

**MARK SANFORD**  
**GOVERNOR**  
**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**